## In the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska

Alaska Public Defender Agency, Applicant,

Supreme Court Nos. S-18120/S-18129

V.

**Superior Court, Third Judicial** District,

Respondent.

R.G. (Father),

Petitioner,

v.

State of Alaska, DHSS, OCS; P.G. (Mother); A.G. (Child); E.G. (Child); S.G. (Child); and Y.G. (Child),

Respondents.

Order

Date of Order: July 20, 2021

Trial Court Case Nos. 3PA-20-00151/152/153/154CN

Winfree, Chief Justice, Maassen, Carney, and Borghesan, Before:

Justices.

On June 21, 2021 the Public Defender Agency, on behalf of R.G., docketed a petition for review without actually filing the petition for review. At the same time, the Agency docketed an original application for relief on its own behalf without actually filing an original application for relief. An individual justice granted the Agency's motion to consolidate the two matters and extended the time for filing the petition for review and original application for relief to July 20. On June 29 the Agency filed a motion to un-consolidate the two matters, to allow the Agency to withdraw as R.G.'s

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counsel in the petition for review, and to appoint new counsel to represent R.G. in the

petition for review. The State does not oppose these requests.

According to the original motion papers filed by the Agency, the issue

raised in the petition for review is whether the superior court erred by not appointing

separate counsel to represent R.G. in a representation hearing intended to determine

whether the Agency could continue to represent R.G. in the underlying matters. This

issue was raised in a petition for review R.G. filed — self-represented — in File

S-18046. We denied that petition for review on June 28; we decline to take up that issue

in the petition for review the Agency lodged on R.G.'s behalf.

It is Ordered that the consolidated petition for review (S-18129) and

original application for relief (S-18120) are UNCONSOLIDATED. The Agency's original

application for relief in S-18120 remains due today, July 20. The Agency's petition for

review on R.G.'s behalf in S-18129 is **DENIED**. Pending motions in that matter are

**DENIED** as moot, and the matter is **CLOSED**.

Entered at the direction of the court.

Clerk of the Appellate Courts

Ryan Montgomery-Sythe,

Chief Deputy Clerk

cc: Supreme Court Justices

Judge Stohler

Judge Kristiansen

Trial Court Clerk - Palmer

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